

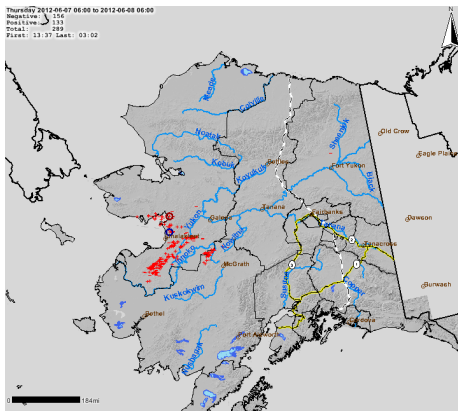
# Morning Highlights

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Highlights will be updated Monday, June 11.

## New fires continue throughout Interior



On Thursday, six new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC). All of the fires were caused by lightning. Two hundred eighty-nine lightning strikes were reported, bringing the weeks total to 8,675 across the state. Fire personnel continue detection flights to look for new starts. Near real-time lightning information is available on the AICC website at: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>.

Currently, there are four staffed fires: Otter Creek, Woodchopper, South Fork, and Billy Hawk Creek #2.

The largest fire is Otter Creek near Kiana. The fire is reported at 2,000 acres. Smokejumpers were deployed to the fire, followed by the Midnight Sun Interagency Hotshot Crew. Air Attack provided communication over the fire. The fire is reported as 25% contained.



Melozi (above) is a 350-acre new fire burning north of the Melozitna River. The fire was reported by surveillance aircraft personnel. The fire is burning in tundra and black spruce with 6 to 8 ft. flame lengths. The fire is being monitored. (Photo by Justin Ray). Refer to the AICC Situation Report for information about individual fires <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>. According to AICC, a total of 166 fires have burned nearly 11,898 acres statewide.

## Advanced Firefighting Academy Graduation

(Tok, AK) – The two-week Advanced Firefighting Academy will culminate in a graduation ceremony in Tok, Alaska, on June 10. The celebration will be held in the Tok High School gymnasium at 2 p.m., and all are welcome to attend and support the graduates. Learn more at <http://tinyurl.com/Tokgraduation>.

## Information Gathering/Additional References

### [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com)

Alaska Division of Forestry: @AK\_Forestry

Bureau of Land Management: @BLMAlaska

National Park Service: @AlaskaNPS

US Fish and Wildlife Service: @USFWSAlaska

Bureau of Indian Affairs: @BIA\_DFWFM

US Forest Service: @ChugachForestAK, @TongassNF, @AKForestService

Alaska Fire Consortium: @AKfirescience

### [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

Alaska Division of Forestry: AK.Forestry

Bureau of Land Management: BLMAlaska

National Park Service: AlaskaNPS

US Fish and Wildlife Service: USFWSAlaska

Bureau of Indian Affairs: BIA-Forestry-and-Wildland-Fire-Management

### [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

Alaska Division of Forestry: AlaskaDNRDOF

National Park Service: AlaskaNPS

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/>
  - Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
  - Alaska Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
  - National Fire Situation Report: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>
  - Interagency Newsroom (Media Guide): <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/newsroom.php>
- Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group - Education and Reference Materials: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php>
- Alaska Fire Consortium: <http://akfireconsortium.uaf.edu>
- Protect your home and property!: <http://firewise.org/> and
- <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/firewise09.pdf>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov/>
- BLM Alaska Fire Service: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/afs/>
- Alaska Division of Forestry: <http://forestry.alaska.gov>
  - Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): <http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn/>
- National Parks Service: <http://www.nps.gov/akso/nature/fire/>

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire/>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- Bureau of Indian Affairs: [www.bia.gov/nifc/](http://www.bia.gov/nifc/)
- Anchorage Fire Department: [www.muni.org/fire](http://www.muni.org/fire)
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://tfr.faa.gov/tfr2/list.html>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov/>

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